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SUBJECT: COTTON CONTRACTS, L/C SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

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1. AS NOTED PARA 6 REFTTEL, SHIPPERS ARE ATTEMPTING TO MEET CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS WHICH SOLID MILLS INCLUDED IN L/C'S. NEVERTHELESS, SHIPPERS ASSOCIATIONS HAVE NO; TAKEN POSITION THAT CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS ARE UNILATERAL AMMENDMENT OF CONTRACTS, AND AS SUCH REPRESENT AN UNFAIR PRACTICE. THEY HAVE ASKED THAT 'E SUPPORT THIS POSITION.

2. ;E BELIEVE SHIPPERS ASSOCIATION IS CORRECT IN OPPOSING THIS TYPE OF UNILATERAL AMMENDMENT OF CONTRACTS AND WOULD APPRECIATE EMPASSY MAKING THIS POSITION CLEAR TO DBP, BOTH
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IN GENERAL AND WITH REGARD TO SOLID MILLS. ANY FRESH INIT-

IATIVES TO IMPOSE NEW CONTRACT CONDITIONS THROUGH RIDERS
ATTACHED TO L/C'S SHOULD BE PARTICULARLY DISCOURAGED.

3. FYI WE DO NOT RPT DO NOT CONSIDER THIS A HIGH PRIORITY
PROBLEM, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF OUR PRESSURE ON SHIPPERS
TO LIVE UP TO LETTER OF CONTRACT. DEMARCHE WITH DBP REPORT

ED MANILA 10966 SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT FOR THE MOMENT.
EMBASSY MAY WISH TO MAKE RELATIVELY LOW KEY APPROACH ON
THIS ISSUE AT NEXT CONVENIENT OPPORTUNITY. END FYI KISSINGER

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